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This Society was organized in 1860 and is the pioneer of Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies in this country.

It is undenominational, and so it presents a united Christian front to the heathen world.

It is carried on entirely by women, with unsalaried officers.

Its aim is the salvation and elevation of heathen women.

"Win for Christ," its motto.

THE baptism of Mr. Govande, an educated Hindu and social reformer, with his whole family, at Kolhapur has created a deep sensation in his community. He stated at the time: "No religion is so simple and at the same time so capable of satisfying all the demands of the soul. Christianity is the true religion and its God the true and living God. One has only to open his eyes and look around with an unprejudiced eye to be convinced of the truth of Christianity."

A MOST important work is being prosecuted in the Southern Mahratta country, India, by the Basel German Evangelical Mission among six millions of people. Of its 154 schools two are exclusively for Brahmin girls, where the Bible is taught and expounded. At Malabar are mission industrial establishments, there being weaving factories at Cannanore and Calicut.

MOST overwhelming is the statement of the Marquis of Dufferin that, although the average landholder, trader, or handicraftsman in India is decidedly better off than he was thirty years ago, the necessitous persons in the country may be counted in millions, and the population of about 300,000,000 is increasing by about 28,000,000 annually.

ON the farm near Kedgaon included in Pundita Ramabai's work, are 280 widows and orphans, and a rescue home of sixteen women. "At the farm various industries are undertaken, such as gardening, orchard and field work, manufacture of sweet- and castor-oil, and weaving. The women also lay out walks and roads about the houses, carrying concrete, brick, and stone for the use of the builders, besides attending school six hours daily."

WHEN the gifted engineer, Sir Arthur Cotton, was asked if irrigation could protect every part of India from famine, he replied, "There is water enough in India for every conceivable purpose ten times over." He added there might "always have been enough water for the preservation of a portion of the crops, to maintain the people in their villages."

TWO features of the third *Missionary Conference* in Japan especially appeal to our Society. One had regard to the elevation of women condemned to lives demoralizing and degrading, and the second to the co-operation of missions existing in Japan, which might promote "a high degree of harmony."

"THE one secret of life and development is, not to devise and plan, but to fall in with the forces at work; to do every moment's duty aright, that being the part in the process alloted to us; and let come—not what will, for there is no such thing—but what the eternal Thought wills for each of us, has intended in each of us from the first."

GEORGE MACDONALD

IN EASTERN LANDS.

INDIA—JHANSI.

A YEAR'S PROGRESS.

By Dr. ALICE L. ERNST.

AT the old Dispensary 739 new patients were seen and 3340 treatments were given.

At the Mary S. Ackerman-Hoyt Memorial Hospital 351 patients were seen (or recently over 40 a day), 1300 treatments given, and 1488 prescriptions filled. Many patients too ill to attend the Dispensaries, or owing to caste prejudices not permitted to come, were attended at their own homes.

A special effort is made to deliver the Gospel message to each patient, and religious tracts are distributed to all who can read, or who have members of their family who can do so. The women are usually very glad to get these leaflets, and often ask for some for their relatives living in distant places.

Our Dispensary has been kept open during the year, and one of the girls who was trained in our Calcutta Orphanage has been a very valuable assistant to me. High-caste women are coming to our Dispensary in increasing numbers, a sure sign that we are gaining the confidence of the people. They know they will be secure from the gaze of men when once the door of the Hospital is gained, but how to arrive thus far unseen is their great anxiety. Those who can afford it always come in covered conveyances, even if their house is just across the street. The husband or near relative holds up a sheet, and under its protection the zenana woman quickly slips inside the door. The Mohammedan women commonly wear a white, full mantle, completely covering them from head to foot, with eye-holes covered with netting.

These women are unusually intelligent and much interested in the Gospel story, which is always told to our patients. As is our custom, tracts were given to them as they left us, and they asked for more, so that each daughter and daughter-in-law at home might hear this good news too. These people had come several hundred miles to attend the marriage of a relative, and the good words that they took away with them will be spread far and wide.

May the work be a growing one is the hope of every one interested in it. The pioneer work has been done. The women know and trust us, the Hospital is finished, and now with such efficient help a great work ought to grow, to the glory of God and great blessing to the households of Jhansi. We need to watch and pray and to believe great things from God.

AT THE POST.

By Dr. ROSE FAIRBANK.

IT hardly seems possible, but after many delays, I have reached Jhansi, arriving December 12th at half-past four A.M. Dr. Ernst met me in spite of the hour and drove me home in the moonlight, giving me a most pleasant impression of Jhansi. I have looked at all the new Hospital buildings with great interest. They are very fine and the compound is a pleasant place, with lovely great big tamarind trees and plenty of shade. I look forward with greater joy than ever to working there, and I am anxious to acquire the language so that work may begin in earnest.

Yesterday I went with Dr. Ernst to see a patient, in the native city, about two years old, sick with bronchitis. The people were evidently well off, and the father spoke English well. He had been in the Government employ for some years and is a well-educated man. But such ignorance as they displayed, and such details as they asked! Dr. Ernst was obliged to give the directions several times. Of course they are not Christians, and my heart was aching to tell them of how we look to Jesus for healing all these little ones. When I returned home the problems of missionary life came over me with greater reality. What is the best method of showing such people the way of life? Surely, with such ignorance curiously combined with a good deal of knowledge, the problem is a hard one. There is great comfort in the fact that it is all in His hands, not in ours.

CHINA—SHANGHAI.

GLIMPSE OF THE HOSPITAL.

By Dr. EMMA GARNER.

THIS past year has shown an increasing desire on the part of the Chinese for foreign physicians and medicines. This is especially true in regard to some lines of surgery.

Many have come to us from long distances who have never been to foreign doctors before, showing the utmost faith in us, never once doubting our ability to heal their particular malady if we wished to do so. This simple trust is often found where we least expect it.

The patients seen at the Dispensary have been 33,180, of whom 21,829 are new; prescriptions filled, 46,121; patients treated in Wards, 323; patients treated in homes, 66; number of visits to homes, 236.

Nor have we lacked for supplies in the various departments. One especial cause for thankfulness is that during all the troubled times we have been kept in safety, and were able to keep the Dispensary open all summer. It was considered best to close the Wards for a time when the uncertainty of affairs led every one to be cautious.

This part of the work was not interrupted long, however, as we closed August 4th and reopened September 13th. At this time of anxiety the native helpers were given the choice of going home or remaining at the Hospital. To our gratification some of them preferred to remain. Thus we were able to carry on the Dispensary work.

The evangelistic work has gone on as usual in the Wards and Dispensary. Very few who have reached the years of understanding go away from us without first hearing the Truth. The majority of patients who come to the Dispensary have some one with them, often two or three persons, who come for company, or perhaps curiosity. Hence the number who have heard the Gospel far exceeds the number of patients. When we consider the thousands who thus hear, have we not a right to expect that the Lord in His own time will reap an abundant harvest?

It may be of interest to note the religion of the patients treated in the Wards this year. It will be seen that those who worship idols are in the large majority. They are as follows: Christian, 59; Buddhist, 179; Roman Catholic, 20; Mohammedan, 3. There were 7 whose religion is not known, and 55 children.

Many of the children are of special interest. Oftentimes they come reluctantly, being frightened at the thought of staying away from home in a foreign house, but a very few days suffices in most cases to win them over completely. How sad when the day comes for them to put on their own soiled clothes and leave the Hospital to return to their cheerless homes! Many tears are shed on such occasions, and our hearts ache for them. Our hope is they may never forget that where they first found real comfort and happiness they also heard the story of Jesus.

ONE OF THE PATIENTS.

By Miss Elizabeth Irvine.

MRS. K——, a young woman who came to us from a country district about seven miles from our out-station by the sea, heard for the first time the Gospel, and though very illiterate yet seems ready to listen and shows signs of deep interest. When I questioned her about the true God she quickly replied, "Oh, I am a country woman! I am very stupid; I spin and weave, and must work hard every day in order to make enough to eat and to wear." I do not mind her frankness, for it gives me an opportunity to present to her Him who loves and cares for her though she knows it not. As I try to unravel the great mystery to her of God's love, she persists, "I am only a country woman; I am very stupid," as though to excuse herself for all time for not knowing these things before. As we learn more of the national customs of the people, we learn to take such remarks only as a mark of politeness, for even the rustic peasants have their own ideas of etiquette. This woman, though she cannot read a character, yet opened her heart to be taught, and in the short time she remained she hungered to know more about the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God. She assured me that the people in her neighborhood have never heard this Gospel.

She came to our Hospital to be treated for her eyes, and an operation on one of them was necessary. It was interesting as well as amusing to listen to her attempt to describe to her friend who came to visit her how the operation was performed. When the friend asked her if it pained her to be operated on, she threw up both her hands for joy and said: "I knew nothing until I was brought back and put on my bed; then I was exceedingly better." It was a wonderful operation in their minds, and all without pain. One sitting by said, "Oh, the foreign physician is very clever!" The bright, happy face of this woman and her thankful heart must fully repay those who have given their lives to help the poor sick and suffering ones.

We cannot fully estimate the loving, self-sacrificing spirit which characterizes both physicians and nurses toward those to whom they minister daily —for nothing apart from the love of Christ which constrains them could ever enable them so devotedly to minister to the unlovely and degraded. Speech would fail to describe the wretched condition of a large number of our patients. This is what makes Christianity so much more sublime than the heart of man can conceive.

JAPAN—YOKOHAMA.

OUR INTERESTS.

By Miss Julia E. Hand.

THE 28th of November marked the first anniversary of Mrs. Pierson's home-going. I do not know how many memorial services were held in Japan, but we heard from different places where her seed had been sown, or where her children had gone, that such meetings had been planned. Here the day was not forgotten. The Bible Readers were told that the truest and best way to remember another was to think of the words she had spoken or the things she had done that had influenced and strengthened their lives. So at morning prayers and again at evening prayers the women told very briefly, for many took part, helpful words she had said and helpful things she had done. It was a very sweet service and a very tender one. Many of the women broke down and wept when trying to speak or pray, and there were tears all over the room. It was not altogether sad, however, for we had a prayer of thanksgiving for her beautiful life and work.

Now that I have learned to know these women personally, I am more deeply than ever interested in them. I love them all, and thank God daily for giving me a part in this work for Japan. While there is much in the Japanese life that is picturesque, underneath all my delight in the beauties of the country and the picturesque life, there is a continual compassion that is like an ever-present heartache. The need is so great, and yet people say that practically Japan is Christianized!

The great experience of the last month has been a country evangelizing trip with Miss Pratt. It seems to me that the opportunities for evangelistic work here are limitless. After two months in the country I find my mind constantly going out into the future, and especially the future of our Bible workers and this Bible school. I am so happy in knowing the Bible Readers personally, and find I am already more deeply interested in each one as an individual woman. One of the younger ones, Saiki Sau, interests me in that she shows a peculiar aptness for children's work. She went to the country with us, and I was delighted with the manner in which she gained and held the attention of audiences of restless small children. She begins her little sermons as a true teacher should, by finding at once a point of contact, by drawing the children out, and by making everything lead to and centre about her great theme. She has a real gift, I believe, that should be wisely developed and trained.

Another of the Bible Readers is interesting to me because of her great hunger for the Word of God and the simplicity and sweetness with which she drinks in the truth. She is one of the very new ones, and sits with her mouth wide open, to be filled, which is encouraging to a teacher's heart. I am fairly burning with eagerness to acquire the language, but in the meantime I thank God for an open and limitless field in the ministry of intercession. I believe this work, together with the daily gathering of manna for the individual soul-need, is the most important duty of a missionary life.

BIBLE WORK.

By Jun Kido, Native Pupil.

IT is impossible for me to repay your kindness, but I am praying that God will bless your work in Japan and that I may be able to work for Him.

In my last summer vacation Miss Pratt took me to Ikao, for I wanted to be with foreigners in order to practise what I learned in the school, and I have succeeded in my purpose. I was taught many things which I had been unable to learn in the school, for it was the first time I ever lived with foreign ladies and I did not know their customs. Miss Pratt had a service every Sunday morning and invited the owner of the house and an old woman who was converted three years ago. You do not know how excited I became when she told me to give a nice talk to them, because it was the first time I ever talked to grown people.

HOME NOTES.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

THE Annual Meeting held in the Bible House January 23d marked a memorable occasion in the history of the Society, celebrating, as it did, its fortieth anniversary.

The morning meeting was led by Miss Doremus and was given largely to the relating of reminiscences by those friends who remembered the early days of the Society, and who had followed its growth.

We were especially happy in having with us representatives of many of the Branches in other cities, all of whom brought kindly words of greeting and congratulation. Numerous letters were received from others who could not be present.

There was throughout the meeting a spirit of fervent thankfulness to God that He had so clearly blessed and used the Society, and an equally fervent looking to Him for a blessing in the years to come.

Mrs. S. T. Dauchy, Vice-President, gave an inspiring account of the first Children's Mission Band in the year 1861, originated by her mother, Mrs. S. E. Warner, a member of the Clinton Avenue Congregational Church of Brooklyn. This was not only the first Mission Band of this Society, but the first organization of children for mission work in this country. As an original member of this "Pioneer Band" of children, Mrs. Dauchy spoke with much interest.

A strong plea was made by Mrs. Julia Keese Colles, Vice-President, that in these days more be done in the churches to enlist the interest of children in missions, and that the boys especially be trained to work and to give. The account of her Mission Band, "Drop in the Bucket," gave point to these remarks.

The exercises of the afternoon session, at which Mrs. Johnson presided, were opened by our friend, Rev. Dr. Sabine.

The principal address was given by Mrs. J. T. Gracey of Rochester, N. Y., a warm friend of the Society from its formation, and the first who received from us an appropriation for a Bible Reader. Mrs. Gracey said that she brought to us greetings from the Methodist women, who work to-day because this Society made woman's work possible, and started influences forty years ago that have encircled the world. To-day one third of the force on mission fields is composed of women.

It was because of the love and faith and breadth of vision of Mrs. Doremus, the founder and first President, Mrs. Gracey said, that this Society has ever been an object-lesson in "the Unity of the Spirit." Her spirit and influence live to-day in all the vast organizations of woman's work for woman. She planted a seed that has grown to a mighty tree whose leaves are for the healing of the nations.

Miss Deyo, of the Dutch Reformed Mission in Japan, spoke of evangelistic work in that country. Japan, she said, notwithstanding marvellous advance in civilization, needs more than ever the uplifting power of the Gospel of Christ. The moral tone of the people is appallingly low. The Japanese themselves see that if they are to stand on an equality with western nations they must seek a remedy. One of her leading men and foremost scholars, a man of great influence, urges his people to assume commercial honesty as the only road to success—although he assures them that this has nothing whatever to do with personal honesty!

Miss Deyo told of a Japanese who seemed profoundly impressed by the superiority of Christianity. "Yes," he said, "it is a very good religion—the best religion, but it will not do for the Japanese; we simply cannot obey its commands." The Japanese are to learn that the Christian religion holds its place above all other religions because it offers a living Christ, a very present help, through whose might we and they can be more than conquerors.

Mrs. Johnson, in looking back over thirty-six years of service in the Society, felt that among the many causes of thankfulness the very chief of all was that God had so plainly let us see that we were a part in His great plan of making His name known in all the earth. By faith the few banded themselves together for this work, and because of their faith it was given them to open a door through which multitudes of women have entered into a life of service for the Master.

Rev. Dr. Sabine gave a glowing testimony to the consecrated life of our former manager, Miss Dean, who was a woman of faith, a woman of love, and a woman of works. He touched at length upon the legacy she left, which was applied to the building of the

Eliza A. Dean Memorial Bible Training School, and invoked Heaven's richest blessings upon it.

After a sketch of the results of forty years by Miss Doremus, Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D., closed the meeting. He spoke of his inheritance of the Union Society through Mrs. Pruyn and Mrs. Strain, the grandmother and mother of his wife, and his sister-in-law, Miss Helen Knox Strain, now representing us in Japan, and closed with some spiritual thoughts of the individual Christian which sank deeply into the heart of every listener.

BOLD UTTERANCES.

THE Nineteenth Century Club discussing "Creeds and Dogmas" was so ably answered by Rev. Dr. Purves that we reproduce from the *New York Observer* a portion of his defence, for those who were not fortunate enough to read it.

"He is a bold man who attempts to interpret his own century. The effort is likely to prove an autobiography. He is likely to mistake the little cycle in which he has moved, for the wider world of which he was a part. I have no doubt at all that the message of the Nineteenth Century to the Twentieth is not a discouraging one in the matter of religion. I have no doubt at all that the message is that religion is a necessity—so differing from the message of the Eighteenth Century to the Nineteenth.

"The Nineteenth Century dawned with the prediction on many lips that the era of Christianity was drawing to its close. The pervading feeling now is that religion is a necessity to man. The century dawned with a recognition by religion of the rights of science; it closes with a recognition by science of the rights of religion, a recognition that science cannot explain and supply all.

"The fact is that the Nineteenth Century has witnessed more vitality in religion than any century except the first, and perhaps even more than that. It has heard the great cry of the indestructible demand of the soul of man for a living God. Instead of dead churches there has been a revivification of the old fervid spirit of the Apostles. Even the multitudinous religious fads are a testimony to the revival of the religious spirit.

"Creeds were made for defensive not offensive purposes. They were made to resist onslaught and they stand for what had up to their time been believed to be truth. Against creeds and dogmas our century has witnessed a tremendous cannonade, from the heavy guns to the little poppings that at least add to the racket. The first reason for the attack is that, the creeds being definite statements, they made good targets and little men who want to show their marksmanship aim at them. Oh, it is easy to be an iconoclast, to tear down the work of the greater men who have builded in the past.

"The Chinese Minister overlooked one thing in his sermon as printed in the newspapers, and that is, that Confucianism is absolutely unconscious of sin. It has not a word to say about it. The Nineteenth Century is bowing, as the world never bowed before, to Jesus Christ, as supernatural, inexplicable, even men who differ as to the theological definition of divinity. Creed and dogma form a rational, intelligent statement of what has been revealed.

"Take away revelation and all that is said against creeds is true. But on truth revealed we must build the rational product of the human mind, saying back to God what He has said to it. Religion must stand as the interpretation of the universal to the intelligence of man. By means of creeds and dogma it must state the content of its interpretation to mankind. You cannot have religion unless you have the intellectual expression of it in creed and dogma. I would have you listen, not like Elijah, to the wind that brake the rocks, but to the still, small voice. It is not possible for the rational mind of man to have a religion unless it can be stated."

DR. EMMA GARNER writes: "We need in the Hospital bandage cloth, neither too thick nor too thin; thread, white, black, and blue (medium shade), Nos. 30 and 50, more white than of the other two colors; tape, as the Chinese tie almost all their clothes on. Some of it might be colored, but mostly white; the very narrow baby bobbin is much used in our maternity department. We need three small clocks (with second hands) that will keep good time. Wool stockings for the children, who need to be kept especially warm. The Chinese are becoming very fond of knitting, so some bright-colored wools and knitting needles would be acceptable."

MARGARET WILLIAMSON HOSPITAL, WEST SIDE.

FOR MISSION BANDS.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

By LILLIAN E. DIETRICH.

THE spirit of thankfulness and praise to God is in the lives of our orphans at Cawnpore, as you will see by this little incident. Our beautiful new Eliza A. Dean Memorial Bible Training School building had just been completed, but the walls were not dry enough to take the finishing touches of the oil painting. We decided for this reason to put off the formal dedication of the building until it was more completely finished. We had only, however, used the building a few times before the girls came to me saying: "All the girls are *so* thankful for this new building, we want to have a thanksgiving meeting tonight. Can we all meet for this purpose in the Memorial building at 6 P.M.?"

At the appointed time we took our places in the main hall, where most of the children had already previously assembled. As the clock noted the appointed hour, forty little girls, all of the same height, marched from the Orphanage into the Eliza A. Dean Memorial building, each carrying a pretty flag of colored tissue paper, which one of the girls had made, and singing *Onward Christian Soldiers*, after which the whole school joined in, and sang several hymns very appropriate for a dedication service. Then there was a solemn hush over all the building as Agnes Stone, one of the girls, a bright, earnest follower of Christ, stepped forward and said, "Let us pray"; and there in the dim twilight hour a more earnest or appropriate prayer was never made in even a more formal service. She asked that God's glory might rest upon and fill the building, and each and every one who should ever enter its doors; that everything said or done within the walls should be only for His glory and honor, and that none of the teaching should be in vain. It was a prayer that impressed us all as made in the power of the Spirit, and as we quietly left the room, one by one, we felt that a sweeter or more solemn dedication service had never been held — the children's own idea of a "thanksgiving meeting," as they

expressed it. Remember that scarcely four years ago these same children were ignorant, wild, famine, heathen children, and tell us, have we not cause to praise the Lord who has given us this great work to do for Him?

We feel that the blessing of our Heavenly Father has been with the Mary A. Merriman Orphanage in the past, and if all the friends in the home-land will join with us in prayer for His continued blessings, we shall be certain of success in the truest sense of the word.

THE CHINESE.

By The Hon. Wu Tingfang.

THAT the Chinaman places his surname first, while the American has his last; that the Chinaman wears white for mourning, and the American black; that the Chinese women have big waists and little feet, while the American women have little waists and big feet; that the Chinaman sits in a draft as a matter of preference, while the American avoids it; that one eats with chopsticks and spoons, the other with knife and fork — these and a hundred other insignificant contrasts in the customs of every-day life indicate the kind of observations I am naturally making during my sojourn in the United States.

Several features of American cities impressed me strongly on my first arrival here, as they do all visitors to your country. They were the tall buildings, the trolley cars, the asphalt pavements, and the mad rush of life in the streets. In China, our buildings are seldom over two stories high, our streets are usually rather narrow and paved with granite stone, and nobody in all the empire is in excessive haste. My people have never learned that adage which was born with the American nation, "Time is money." Even if they knew it, they would put it aside with the reflection that courtesy and dignity are *better* than money.

The absence of ceremony is characteristic of life in the United States. Since I have been here I have learned democratic ways and go about unescorted, but if I were at home I should consider it necessary, for the proper maintenance of dignity, to be accompanied by servants.

Instead of washing before dinner we Chinese, after the meal, are waited upon by our servants with soap and towels. At the banquet no more than eight are seated at a table, the ideal number for conversation. Those eight are all men; no woman's voice is heard at the festal board.

In our eyes, it is a sin to disobey one's parents; a breach of duty not to support them in old age. So sacred is the claim of parents upon a son that not even for his wife may he leave them. That is the reason we attach more importance to the birth of a boy than a girl. He is to be the support and pillar of the house. A daughter, when she marries, becomes a member of another family, and no matter how much the mother may be attached to her, she cannot keep her daughter with her. A son, on the other hand, will stay with the parents always and consider it his moral and legal duty to provide for them as long as they live. If there are several sons, and it is not convenient for all to live together, some of them may go away to separate homes, but all will share in the honor of contributing to the parents' support. Owing to this view of filial duty, large families are considered desirable in China. Not to have children is thought a great calamity.

Condensed from "Frank Leslie."

LITTLE SANIA.

By Etta Costellow.

SANIA is one of six children sent to our Calcutta Orphanage during the last famine. Two died, being too weak to resist the starving; but four we count among our best children; they are obedient, bright, and helpful. When I look at these children and see what two years has done for them, I feel that it pays to expend time and money and strength to save them. They are often so forlorn when they come to us, half starved, dirty, not ragged, because there is not often cloth about them for that unless they are rather large.

This little Sania is not very far advanced in her studies of course as yet, but when we remember that two years ago she knew nothing, either of books or of work, and, besides that, spoke a different language, we feel that she has made *very* good progress. She can read and write in Bengali, the language which we use here, and is also reading in the primer in English. She has learned to sew nicely and helps in the work-room on any sewing which we have on hand. She did her Bible work well last year and received a first prize as a result of her examination.

RECEIPTS *of the Woman's Union Missionary Society of America for Heathen Lands from January 1 to January 31, 1901.*

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Concord.—Concord Br., Mrs. E. E. Eastman, Treas., Mrs. H. K. Morrison, for Bible Reader, Allahabad,	$30 00	
Sanbornville.—Miss H. Dow, for Miss Gardner's Work,	50 00	
Wakefield.—Mrs. Samuel Yeaton, for Miss Gardner's work,	50 00	
Total,		$130 00

MASSACHUSETTS.

Amherst.—Mrs. A. D. Morse, for Mary A. Merriman School, Cawnpore,	$10 00	
Boston.—Boston Br., Mrs. Henry Johnson, Treas.: Mrs. E. A. Crosby's collection: Miss A. J. Mulford, part payment for Bible Reader, Japan,	30 00	
Miss Ellen Vinson,	5 00	
Mrs. H. B. Rogers, 1.00; Mrs. E. R. Gould, 1.00. Total,	2 00	
Mrs. M. E. Pigeon, for famine sufferers,	6 00	
Dorchester.—Mrs. Walter Baker Mem'l Band, Miss Sharp, Treas.: Mr. Elbridge Torrey, 350.00; Mrs. E. Torrey, 150.00; of which 20.00 is for child, Cawnpore orphanage. Total,	500 00	
Lowell.—Y. W. C. Ass'n, per Miss L. A. Bigelow, for famine orphan, Cawnpore,	20 00	
Total,		$573 00

CONNECTICUT.

New Haven.—Miss E. C. Bradley, for Sada Iuazaki, Yokohama School,	$5 00	
Mrs. F. B. Dexter, for Theodosia Wheeler Scholarship, Calcutta,	40 00	
Total,		$45 00

NEW YORK.

Brooklyn.—Miss L. W. Pierson, for "Laura," Calcutta Orphanage,	$10 00	
Mrs. R. W. Forbes,	10 00	
Mrs. E. E. Robinson, per Mrs. C. R. Pitt, Jr.,	20 00	
Miss E. I. Dauchy,	5 00	
Mrs. V. A. R. Morehouse,	2 00	
Miss C. L. Clarke, for Miss May's work,	100 00	
Cold Spring.—"Hillside Band," Miss A. P. Wilson, Sec., for work at Cawnpore,	20 00	
Corona.—"Leverich Memorial Band," Mrs. M. Le Forte, Treas., for Bible Reader, Japan,	15 00	
"Mary E. Page Memorial Band," Mrs. J. H. Bennett, Treas., for girl in Yokohama,	30 00	
Ithaca.—Presb. Ch. collection, per Miss J. L. Hardy,	26 50	
Ludlow.—Mission Band, Leake and Watts Orphanage, per Miss Easton, Christmas donation for Cawnpore Orphanage,	3 00	
New York City.—Missionary Society Mothers' Meeting of Manor Chapel, per Rev. James Palmer,	25 00	
Miss de Nottbeck, per Miss A. K. Hays, for Bible Reader, Calcutta,	50 00	
Mrs. Geo. L. Paine, for Miss Edith May, Allahabad,	25 00	
Mrs. Henry Eagle,	1 00	
Miss H. L. Kingsbury,	5 00	
Union Band of Madison Sq. Ch., per Mrs. Z. S. Ely: Mrs. C. H. Parkhurst, 5.00; Mrs. C. H. Patterson, 2.00; Mrs. W. H. Barbour, 1.00; for support of Niseban, Cawnpore Orphanage. Miss Lent, for Miss Crosby's work, 10.00. Total,	18 00	
Mrs. R. K. McHarg,	5 00	
Annual Collection,	41 75	
Mrs. Chas. S. Clarke,	50 00	
Subscriptions to *Missionary Link*, Miss H. L. Kingsbury, Treas.,	46 50	
White Lake.—Zarephath Circle of King's Daughters, Mrs. M. A. B. Waddell, Pres.,	5 00	
Total,		$513 75

NEW JERSEY.

Hackensack.—S.-S. Second Ref. Ch., per Mrs. W. Williams, for Mohammedan School, Cawnpore,	$50 00	
Hamburg.—Presb. Bethany S.-S., per Mr. A. H. Simpson, for support of Sarah Das, Calcutta Orphanage,	$25 00	
Morristown.—Morristown Aux., Miss M. H. Maury, Treas.,	26 50	
New Brunswick.—Miss G. V. Gould (Wernersville, Pa.), per Miss C. Woodbridge,	1 00	
Newton.—Byington Mem'l Band of Pres. Ch., Miss M. F. Kanouse, Sec. and Treas., for Zenana work,	20 00	
Orange.—Mrs. F. W. Van Wagenen,	10 00	
Phillipsburg.—N. End For. Miss. Soc., Miss K. F. Bean, Cor. Sec., toward support of their Bible Reader, Japan,	15 00	
Summit.—Mrs. Geo. Wilcox,	25 00	
Total,		$172 50

PENNSYLVANIA.

Bethlehem.—Mr. E. H. Williams, to constitute his children Life Members of this Society,	$200 00	
Easton.—Miss E. F. Randolph,	5 00	
Germantown.—W. & O. Band (see items below),	634 00	
Philadelphia.—Mr. Chas. M. Morton, of Christ Mem'l Ref. Epis. Ch., Rev. Chas. F. Hendricks, Treas.,	25 00	
W. For. Miss. Soc. Ref. Epis. Ch., Miss. M. V. Hammer, Treas.: Mrs. Jos. Barton's quarterly, for Bible Reader, Japan, 15.00; Mrs. A. L. Lowry, 100.00; Miss A. K. Davidson, 50.00 for three scholarships in L. L. B. School, and Miss Davidson, for child in Calcutta Orphanage, 30.00. Total,	195 00	
Robesonia.—C. E. Society, per Mrs. S. E. Keiser, toward support of Yoch Ngoo, Shanghai,	10 00	
Total,		$1,069 00

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Miss Jane Read, 10.00; Mrs. W. S. Gilman, 30.00. Total,		$40 00

ILLINOIS.

Chicago.—Chicago Br., Mrs. O. F. Avery, Treas.: R. Road Chapel S.-S., J. F. Kappleman, Treas., for support of Ku Ling, in Bridgman Home, Shanghai,		$40 00

CALIFORNIA.

Pasadena.—Miss Stimson, 5.00; the Misses Munger, 2.00; Children's Union Band, 10.00: per Miss G. R. Ward, toward support of famine children.		$17 00

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

From January 1 to January 31, 1901.

Burlington, Vt.—Mrs. G. H. Perkins,	2 00	
Amherst, Mass.—Mrs. A. D. Morse,	$1 00	
Springfield, Mass.—Mrs. A. S. McClean,	10 00	
Bayside, N. Y.—Mrs. W. Sutton,	1 00	
Bridgehampton, N. Y.—Mrs. Reilly and Miss Cornith,	5 00	
Brooklyn, N. Y.—Friends, 2.00; anonymous, 1.00; Friend, 5.00; Mrs. V. A. R. Morehouse, 1.00. Total,	9 00	
New York City.—Anonymous, 1.00; a Friend, 2.00; Mrs. Edwin Holmes, 10.00; Mrs. Chas. Aycrigg, 10.00. Total,	23 00	
Sing Sing, N. Y.—Mrs. J. E. Johnson,	1 00	
Stapleton, N. Y.—Mrs. E. C. Bridgman,	2 00	
West New Brighton, N. Y.—Mrs H. E. Bogert,	1 00	
East Orange, N. J.—Mrs. F. W. Van Wagenen,	2 00	
Morristown, N. J.—Miss E. M. Graves,	25 00	
Princeton, N. J.—Mrs. Wm. Brenton Greene,	1 00	
Bethlehem, Pa.—Mrs. E. H. Williams, Jr.,	1 00	
Carbondale, Pa.—M. D. L.,	1 00	
Villa Nova, Pa.—Mrs. W. H. Morris,	1 00	
New Castle, Del.—Miss Hetty Smith,	10 00	
Washington, D. C.—Miss E. H. Le Conte,	1 00	
Columbus, O.—Miss M. M. Awl,	1 00	
Rockford, Ill.—Mrs. Ralph Emerson,	40 00	
Total,		$138 00
Grand total,		$2,738 25

ELIZABETH B. STONE, *Ass't Treas.*

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO MISSIONARY LINK FROM JANUARY 1 TO JANUARY 31, 1901.

Mrs. A. D. Morse, .50; Miss H. Dow, 1.00; Mrs. Samuel Yeaton, 1.00; Mrs. E. L. Nute, .60; Boston Br., 2.50; Mrs. H. L. Southmayd, 1.00; Miss H. J. Garahan, .50; Miss J. Culbertson, .40; Mrs. Chas. Aycrigg, 1.00; Mrs. F. W. Van Wagenen, 1.00; Miss H. E. Burnet, .50; Miss Jones, 1.00; Mrs. Whiting, 1.00; Mrs. E. M. Squire, 1.00; Mrs. R. K. McHarg, .50; Miss E. F. Randolph, .50; Miss A. R. Stephenson, .50; Miss M. F. Pearson, .50; Miss Jane Read, .50; Miss M. J. Boardman, .50; Miss S. E. Mower, .50; advertisement, A. S.-S. Union, 30.00. Total, $46 50

HELEN LOUISE KINGSBURY, *Treas.*

WILLING AND OBEDIENT BAND.

REV. D. M. STEARNS, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

For Calcutta:		
Mrs. Jno. T. Ross and daughter, for Manoka,	$6 00	
Miss L. C. Hoover, for a worker,	25 00	
For Cawnpore:		
Mrs. D. A. Babcock, for Lydia,	10 00	
Consecrated Volunteers, for Mary Isaacs,	10 00	
T. A. Franklin, for Marion,	5 00	
L. D. C. (N. Y.), In His Name (anon), for Bible Woman,	60 00	
For Rae Bareli:		
Mrs. J. H. Moore, for Dharmo,	15 00	
Mrs. B. F. Beck and Newville, Pa., C. E. Soc., for Bible Woman,	30 00	
Mrs. S. Dickson's Class, for Karuna,	15 00	
For Allahabad:		
Prayer Circle, Washington, D. C., for Rosie, 15.00; for Daisy, 15.00. Total,	30 00	
Total,		$206 00
For China:		
Ch. of At. Helpers Together, for Esther,	$5 00	
Mrs. A. G. Patton, for Sien Tsung,	3 00	
A Young Man's Tithes, for Mrs. Tsaung,	5 00	
Total,		$13 00
For Japan:		
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mann, for Suzuki Iku,	$30 00	
Mrs. Shelley and daughter, for Yasuda Rau,	10 00	
Ch. of At. King's Ten, for Shinomaro Tokijo,	9 00	
Mrs. Murray and Bisel, for Sarki Yachiyo,	15 00	
Jas. L. Lomerson, for Wchida Nao,	5 00	
Looking for Him, for Masa Onishi,	6 00	
For His Pleasure, for Kobayagawa Katsu,	5 00	
John Avil, for Higuchi Fusa,	20 00	
A. B. C. F. H., for Yamamoto Some,	5 00	
Scranton Willing Three, for Yamada Kaora,	5 00	
Miss C. L. Huston, for Kato Nao,	60 00	
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Rev. W. J. Mosier, for Yashida Machi,	15 00	
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Our Little Daughter, for Otsuka Moto,	60 00	
D. E. R., for Minagaki Yone,	60 00	
Mrs. S. Dickson, for Ishii Kura,	30 00	
Rev. C. H. Mytinger, for Makamura Yaso,	5 00	
Total,		$415 00
Grand total,		$634 00

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Quarterly interest on Miss Elizabeth Schaffer Fund,	$48 00	
Semi-annual interest, Agnes W. Leavitt,	15 00	
From Mrs. Jno. R. McCardy, including *Link*,	5 50	
From Mrs. Henry T. Coates,	2 00	
From Mrs. Warrington and Mrs. Waterall, *Links*,	1 00	
From Miss Waters, including *Link*,	1 50	
Through Mrs. A. F. Lex, from Mrs. C. H. Graff, including *Link*,	3 00	
Through Mrs. G. E. Shoemaker, Rebecca White,	100 00	
Total,		$176 00

MARY L. WATERALL, *Treas.*

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" Child in China	40 00
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" Scholarship, High School, Calcutta	50 00
" Converts' Home, Calcutta and Allahabad	50 00
" Inmates of Converts' Home, Shanghai (per month)	5 00
" Schools in India	60 00
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" Child in Orphanage, Cawnpore	20 00
" Native Teacher in Day-School, China	60 00
" Endowments of Beds in Hospitals	600 00

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Kurtas—for Hindoos; made of good, stout cotton cloth, bleached or unbleached, or of fast-colored prints. White ones can be finished with red borders, if intended for Allahabad or Cawnpore.

Jarmas—A jacket with sleeves, worn by Bengalis, is simply hemmed, without *bindings* or *trimmings*, as only Ayahs (nurses) wear bindings, and not the better classes. Plain skirts are useful, cut straight, hemmed, and gathered into a band.

Patchwork—*basted*, is needed to teach sewing to the younger scholars.

For prizes—Whatever pleases girls in America will be useful: boxes of note-paper, work-bags, or boxes of lead pencils with rubbers, small looking-glasses, or any pretty article.

For general use—Sheets one yard and a half wide, pillow-cases, towels, napkins, and handkerchiefs; soap, combs, wash-rags, scrap-books, and picture cards; long-sleeved aprons, such as children at home wear, made of calico or gingham.

In CHINA, knitted or woollen articles are very acceptable. The knitted wristlets must be about four inches long and large enough for children varying in age from seven to thirteen.

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OUR friends have often expressed a wish to know the names of the *endowed* beds in our Hospital in Shanghai, and we therefore give the list as it now stands.

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A. B. C. Bed—By Friends.
Sarah A. Wakeman Memorial—A Friend.
In Memoriam—A Friend.
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